

REMARKS

The Examiner has required restriction between the following groups:

Group I, claims 14-49, drawn to a method of playing a game; and

Group II, claims 50-57, drawn to a combat board game.

Applicant elects Group I, claims 14-49. The election is made with traverse, to the extent that claims 50-57 depend from claims designated by the Examiner in Group I. In the event that independent generic claims in Group I are ultimately allowed, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 50-57 should be rejoined in the application. In this sense, the requirement appears to be more of a genus/species than a standard restriction. Applicant reserves the right to timely file a divisional application on any withdrawn or restricted claims.

Applicant has added new claim 58, depending from claim 14, and respectfully submitted to be in condition for examination with Group I in view of the common elements and that the same game steps are performed, whether conducted live or on a computer. The subject matter of the claim is supported on page 17, lines 9-10 of the specification.

In view of the above election and amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that all of the issues raised in the October 6, 2009 restriction have been addressed.

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In the event there are additional issues that may be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is urged to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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